

## General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 436

February Session, 2022



## AN ACT CONCERNING DATA GOVERNANCE AMONG EXECUTIVE BRANCH AGENCIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 4-67n of the general statutes is
- 2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October*
- 3 1, 2022):
- 4 (b) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall
- 5 develop a program to access, link, analyze and share data maintained
- 6 by executive agencies and to respond to queries from any state agency,
- 7 and from any private entity or person that would otherwise require
- 8 access to data maintained by two or more executive agencies. The
- 9 secretary shall give priority to queries that seek to measure outcomes
- 10 for state-funded programs or that may facilitate the development of
- policies to promote the effective, efficient and best use of state resources.
- 12 The secretary may create advisory boards to assist with data governance
- 13 activities under this section.
- Sec. 2. Subdivision (2) of section 4-670 of the general statutes is
- repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October*
- 16 1, 2022):
- 17 (2) "Executive branch agency" means any agency [listed in section 4-

- 18 38c, except the Board of Regents for Higher Education] with a
- 19 <u>department head, as defined in section 4-5</u>.
- Sec. 3. Section 4-67z of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2022*):
- [(a)] The Chief Data Officer, in consultation with the Attorney
  General and executive branch agency legal counsel, shall review the
  legal obstacles to the sharing of high value data of executive branch
  agencies, inventoried pursuant to section 4-67p, [among] with executive
  branch agencies and [with] the public.
- 27 (b) Not later than January 15, 2020, and annually thereafter, the Chief 28 Data Officer shall submit a report, developed in consultation with the 29 Attorney General, agency data officers and executive branch agency 30 legal counsel, that includes any recommendations on (1) methods to 31 facilitate the sharing of such high value data to the extent permitted 32 under state and federal law, including, but not limited to, the 33 preparation and execution of memoranda of understanding among 34 executive branch agencies, and (2) any necessary legislation, to the 35 Connecticut Data Analysis Technology Advisory Board and the joint 36 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of 37 matters relating to government administration, in accordance with the 38 provisions of section 11-4a. Concomitantly, the Chief Data Officer shall 39 post each such report on the Office of Policy and Management's Internet 40 web site.
  - (c) The report submitted pursuant to subsection (b) of this section shall be consistent with the state data plan, created under section 4-67p. The Chief Data Officer shall update such report annually with additional information concerning the sharing of high value data and any additional recommendations, including any potential fiscal impact of any recommendations.]

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: |                 |          |
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| Section 1   | October 1, 2022 | 4-67n(b) |
| Sec. 2  | October 1, 2022 | 4-67o(2) |
| Sec. 3  | October 1, 2022 | 4-67z    |

## Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In Section 3, "agencies" was changed to "with executive branch agencies" for clarity.

GAE Joint Favorable Subst.